ATTENTION!

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC HEARING:

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A 90-day public comments period for the DRAFT Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment will be held from Wednesday July 15th through Tuesday October 20th. The draft plan can be reviewed at the City of Midland website at cityofmidlandmi.gov, and at the City of Midland Landfill located at 4311 E. Ashman Street, Midland, MI 48642. The City of Midland Landfill hours for plan review are 8 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Comments may be made in person or by mail, telephone, facsimile, or e-mail. A public hearing for the plan is scheduled for:

Tuesday October 20th 2015 at 9:00 a.m. Board of Commissioners 220 West Ellsworth Midland MI.48640

The hearing complies with the intent of the Michigan Environmental Protection Act, 1994. The Midland County Solid Waste Planning Committee will provide services to individuals with disabilities upon request. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids and services should contact the Committee by writing or calling the address listed below.

After the comment period, the Solid Waste Management Planning Committee will make any necessary changes based on comments received, either in writing or at the public hearing. All written comments should be submitted in writing to:

Midland County Solid Waste Management Planning Committee

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City of Midland Landfill

Memo

To: Midland County Solid Waste Plan Committee

From: Scott O'Laughlin Date: June 10, 2015

Re: Plan Update Summary

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DATA BASE

Inventory and description of all solid waste disposal areas within the County or to be utilized by the County to meet its disposal needs for the planning period.

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Waste-to-energy incinerators:

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Map identifying location included in Attachment Section: X Yes No
If facility is an Incinerator or a Transfer Station, list the final disposal site and location for Incinerator ash or Transfer Station wastes:
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Table 1-A

CURRENT IMPORT VOLUME AUTHORIZATION OF SOLID WASTE

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COORDINATION EFFORTS:

Solid Waste Management Plans need to be developed and implemented with due regard for both local conditions and the state and federal regulatory framework for protecting public health and the quality of the air, water, and land. The following states the ways in which coordination will be achieved to minimize potential conflicts with other programs and, if possible, to enhance those programs.

It may be necessary to enter into various types of agreements between public and private sectors to be able to implement the various components of this solid waste management system. The known existing arrangements are described below which are considered necessary to successfully implement this system within the County. In addition, proposed arrangements are recommended which address any discrepancies that the existing arrangements may have created or overlooked. Since arrangements may exist between two or more private parties that are not public knowledge, this section may not be comprehensive of all the arrangements within the County. Additionally, it may be necessary to cancel or enter into new or revised arrangements as conditions change during the planning period. The entities responsible for developing, approving, and enforcing these arrangements are also noted.

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To use these facilities on an emergency, short-term basis, Midland County will sign letters of agreement with those counties calling for reciprocal agreements. These agreements would specify that Midland County will be able to use licensed landfills in Bay, Saginaw, Shiawassee, or Clare county on an interim basis in the event of a temporary or permanent closure of the City of Midland Landfill and that those same counties would be able to use the City of Midland landfill on a temporary basis if the same conditions occurred in their jurisdiction. Such agreements would require the approval and concurrence of the City of Midland and consequently a resolution or letter of agreement between the city and county would be established. Similar agreements would be required with the owners of the landfills that are located in these surrounding counties. At the same time, the county would require all private haulers operating within the county to abide by these inter-county agreements for the transfer of wastes to the designated landfill. Such agreements could be put together in the form of a contract or a formal letter of agreement.³

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Information Sources

- 1. Midland County Road Commission, Telephone Interview, 7/27/99 3:00 pm. Depac Gupta
- 2. City of Midland Engineering Department, E-mail message, 7/29/1999 10:10 am. Dave Foote.
- 3. Midland County Solid Waste Management Plan 1988.

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AUTHORIZED QUANTITY/ DAILY					2,000 yards/month		5,000 yards/month	
FACILITY NAME ¹								
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IMPORTING	Midland	Midland	Midland	Midland	Midland		Midland	

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Special Waste Only

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It may be necessary to enter into various types of agreements between public and private sectors to be able to implement the various components of this solid waste management system. The known existing arrangements are described below which are considered necessary to successfully implement this system within the County. In addition, proposed arrangements are recommended which address any discrepancies that the existing arrangements may have created or overlooked. Since arrangements may exist between two or more private parties that are not public knowledge, this section may not be comprehensive of all the arrangements within the County. Additionally, it may be necessary to cancel or enter into new or revised arrangements as conditions change during the planning period. The entities responsible for developing, approving, and enforcing these arrangements are also noted.

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As stated earlier, Midland County shall utilize import/export authorizations in emergency situations only. Emergency situations are only those instances in which, a counties landfills are closed or cannot handle increased landfill volumes due to regulatory closure, natural disasters such as floods, tornadoes, fires, and other acts of God.

To use these facilities on an emergency, short-term basis, Midland County will sign letters of agreement with those counties calling for reciprocal agreements. These agreements would specify that Midland County will be able to use licensed landfills in Bay, Saginaw, Shiawassee, or Clare county on an interim basis in the event of a temporary or permanent closure of the City of Midland Landfill and that those same counties would be able to use the City of Midland landfill on a temporary basis if the same conditions occurred in their jurisdiction. Such agreements would require the approval and concurrence of the City of Midland and consequently a resolution or letter of agreement between the city and county would be established. Similar agreements would be required with the owners of the landfills that are located in these surrounding counties. At the same time, the county would require all private haulers operating within the county to abide by these inter-county agreements for the transfer of wastes to the designated landfill. Such agreements could be put together in the form of a contract or a formal letter of agreement.

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Special Conditions

Special conditions affecting import or export of solid waste.

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